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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER MONTIEL'S PRESS CONFERENCE

1. NICARAGUAN FOREIGN MINISTER ALEJANDRO MONTIEL SARGUELLO SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAS ABSTAINED DURING THE VOTE TO LIFT THE OAS BLOCKADE OF CUBA BECAUSE THE DANGER OF CUBAN INTERVENTION IN THE OTHER NATIONS OF LATIN AMERICA CONTINUES.

2. MONTIEL ALSO SAID THAT HE BELIEVES IT IS INDEED POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE PAN AMERICAN UNITY. HE ADDED THAT THE OAS IS AN ORGANIZATION WHICH FULFILLS ITS MISSION BUT CONCEDED THAT IT HAS TO BE RESTRUCTURED IN ORDER TO OPERATE MORE EFFICIENTLY.

3. WITH RESPECT TO ECHEVERRIA'S POSSIBLE CANDIDACY FOR UN SECRETARY GENERAL, MONTIEL SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD SUPPORT THE MEXICAN LEADER'S NOMINATION AND THAT "IT WOULD BE A GREAT SOURCE OF PRIDE FOR ALL OF US IF (ECHEVERRIA) WERE TO BECOME THE FIRST LATIN AMERICAN SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UN."

4. MONTIEL, WHO ESCORTED THE BODIES OF 17 MEXICAN VICTIMS OF AN AIR CRASH IN NICARAGUA, MADE HIS REMARKS TO THE PRESS DURING HIS BRIEF VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY AUGUST 6.

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